

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>In re Application of</b>	§	<b>Art Group: 3672</b>
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<b>Hall, David R., et al.</b>	§	<b>Examiner: Coy, Nicole A</b>
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<b>Serial No.: 10/711,596</b>	§	
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<b>Filed: September 28, 2004</b>	§	<b>Docket No.: 66.0077</b>
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<b>For: Filter for a Drill String</b>	§	

April 11, 2007

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed February 2, 2007 for which the shortened – statutory period for response is set to expire on May 2, 2007. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

**AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: